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Classified by Richard A. Albright, Charge d'Affaires,
a.i., reasons 1.5(b) and (d).

¶1. (C) Post has asked senior officials in the UAE Government, the business community, and academia to review and comment on the most recent draft of the G-8 Greater Middle East Plan of Support. Unfortunately, reftel arrived over the weekend here (May 14), making it difficult for us to share the document with Emiratis in advance of the May 14-16 World Economic Forum in Amman. Nevertheless, we have disseminated the GME Plan of Support to select interlocutors, such

as Ministry of Foreign Affairs' Under Secretary, Abdullah Rashid Al-Nuaimi, and Director of European and American Affairs Ahmed Al-Muqarrab, inviting their input into the process.

¶2. (C) Polchief and Econchief followed up with Al-Muqarrab on May 18 by encouraging UAE review and comment of the GME Plan of Support well in advance of the Sea Island G-8 Summit. Al-Muqarrab explained that Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Shaykh Hamdan bin Zayed, Foreign Minister Rashid Abdullah, and MFA Under Secretary Abdullah Rashid would need to review the GME Plan of Support before any comment could be issued.

¶3. (C) Meanwhile, the Embassy and CG Dubai have either shared, or plan to share, the GME Plan of Support with other government, business and think tank leaders.

¶4. (U) The local press on May 17 carried statements made during the WEF in Amman by Dubai Crown Prince Shaykh Mohammed bin Rashid (MbR) on the need for reform. MbR, who led the UAE delegation to Amman, said that administrative and political reforms were "vital to tackle the economic woes of the Arab world." He added that young officials must take an active part in modernization and administrative reform. Reform and development need a visionary leader "who pays great attention to the interests of his people and who has a clear vision to draw up plans and implement them with immediate effect and who has the will and courage to take decisions to ensure success and continuity for every step he takes," he said.
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